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SUBJ: JDL THREATENS ISRAELI CONGEN IN NEW YORK

1. ISRAELI RADIO HAS REPORTED THREAT BY "JDL SPOKESMAN" AT JERUSALEM PRESS CONFERENCE MAY 26 THAT ISRAELI CONGEN IN NEW YORK WOULD BE BLOWN UP IF SETTLERS AT KADOUM (NEAR NABLUS IN WEST BANK) ARE FORCED TO EVACUATE.

2. RABBI MEIR KAHANE HELD PRESS CONFERENCE IN JERUSALEM MAY 26 AND IS PRESUMABLY SOURCE OF ABOVE THREAT. CONFERENCE WAS CALLED TO DISCUSS TWO MAJOR ITEMS: 1) KAHANE'S CLAIM THAT JEW HAD BEEN BEATEN TO DEATH IN OLD CITY DURING APRIL PASSOVER HOLIDAYS, AND 2) HIS SOLUTION FOR PROBLEM OF ARABS RESIDING IN "ERETZ ISRAEL."

3. CLAIM RE JEWISH DEATH IN OLD CITY HAS BEEN CATEGORICALLY DENIED BY BOTH MAYOR KOLLEK AND JERUSALEM POLICE COMMANDER KRAUS WHO LABELED IT "PURE NONSENSE." LATTER ALSO DENIES KAHANE'S CLAIM THAT JEWS HAVE BEEN INSULTED AND INTERFERED WITH BY ARABS RECENTLY WHEN GOING TO WESTERN WALL TO PRAY. KAHANE IS KNOWN TO WANT TO FORM VIGILANTE GROUPS AND IS THOUGHT TO BE MAKING ABOVE CHARGES TO JUSTIFY SUCH ACTION. JERUSALEM POST QUOTES HIM AS TELLING PRESS IF SECURITY

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FORCES COULD OR WOULD NOT PROTECT CITIZENS "WE WILL FORM OUR OWN PARTISAN GROUP TO DO IT."

4. MUCH OF PRESS CONFERENCE DEVOTED, WE RE TOLD, TO EXPOSITION OF KAHANE'S PLAN TO INVITE ALL ARABS IN "ERETZ ISRAEL" TO DEPART VOLUNTARILY IN RETURN FOR FULL COMPENSATION FOR PROPERTY AND CASH GRANT. THOSE WHO DID NOT ACCEPT OFFER AND ALSO REFUSED TO DECLARE ALLEGIANCE TO JEWISH STATE AND ACCPET JEWISH SOVEREIGNTY WOULD BE REMOVED, BY FORCE IF NECESSARY.

5. PRESS CONFERENCE SCANTILY ATTENDED BY GENERALLY UNRECEPTIVE, ALMOST HOSTILE REPORTERS. KAHANE REPORTEDLY SPOKE "ALMOST UNDERSTANDABLE" HEBREW EXCEPT FOR LENGTHY QUOTATIONS IN ENGLISH FROM POTSDAM DECLARATION RE SUDETEN GERMANS.
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